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Excerpts from Interview with Marie Reed:

…. I want to tell you a little bit about Asie Palmer . It was odd to me, but it may not be to anybody else. His wife was related to Momma(Minnie Fulton)or to grandma someway I don't know how and she was raised down here right across the field. Jim Taylor and Asie were , Asie and Delia, that was his wife, were living on grandma's place on the river. Jim was a batching in a little log house down there they called the bachelors hall. Well, Jim got married. Jim bought Asie's part of their crop . And he and Jewell were going to move into the house. Asie and Delia couldn't find a house to go to ……. Well Momma , Freeman , and me happened to be living in a three room house, Delia moved in with us. But what I was going to tell you about Asie was that what ever he put on his plate he would always pour butter milk over it to eat.
(Father was George Allen Cole)
Vima? Rowland, a woman that lived up here at Washita, told me that she had heard her mother say that James Irons was enough Indian that he wanted to buried facing the west.
Grandma ,she never did talk to me about her father , but she talked to me a lot about her mother. Now I don't know but something must have happened to her father when she was young….. Bands of men would go around and steal from people.
They would dig holes under the house to hide their food. And they would take out just what they needed for a day or two. But she said that the men never did bother them.
But I heard grandma say they he must have been a little on the mean side.
He (Tom Irons) had some friends come and spend the night with him and it was in the summer time he was complaining that the bed was hot and he wanted to sleep on the porch. She said he kept on until they had to put the bed on the front porch for him. The old house was supposed to be haunted at one time or another so she took a broom and went around all of the corners making noise to scare him.
Grandma told about her brother Crow. Well she said that her mother had a hog she wanted to put up and fatten. She put this hog up and she said " Crow, you fatten that hog out and have that hog ready to butcher when the weather is cold enough. It finally turned cold and she went out and looked at that hog and it wasn't any fatter than when she put it up. Course she got onto him about it and he said , now ma you know I don't like fat meat and I was gonna have me some good lean meat.
Grandma(Bettie Irons) she was a little woman. Her name was Elizabeth but they called her Betty but a lot of people called her Aunt Bitsy. He said what I can't understand about Aunt Bitsy he said that

Mean? Black was a big woman but Aunt Bitsy beat her up and put her in the hospital. So they throwed Aunt Bitsy in jail and Dad went down and got her out of jail. But he said I never could understand how she could beat that woman up as little as she is and as big as ____ Black is. Momma (Minnie) said I know how she did it… she did it with a board. When uncle Edgar took Momma to Perry county to that doctor I don't know how long we stayed there aunt Effies father had hired men to work the farm that he had. Her mother Mrs. Neale got momma to stay and help her with her work. I don't think the men stayed there at night but it seems like she fixed dinner for them , I can't remember. They had some kind of a play there at the school house. Mr Neale , Effies father , he was in this play and well they blacked his face and I remember he had these old clothes and old big old coat walked with a stick all bent over and he sing a song , Way Down Upon the Swanne River. I never will forget that now.That is all I really remember abut that play.
Martha married a Hunter. I think the Hunters lived in Hot Springs. There was a woman down there , I can't remember her name. She killed Freeman's son, Donald Rowland, that was my half brothers son. She killed him in Texas.He had a service station there. She was a lot older than Donald. They were married but she was a lot older that Don. And they were living in a trailer house backed up to this service station.and Don opened that station early every morning because of the truckers coming through there…….

Then she killed Tommy Hunter. I don't know if this Tommy Hunter was related to these Hunters down there (in Hot Springs) or not. Freeman was sent to prison and Don and this woman, seems like her name was Bonnie, she knew a lawyer that could Freeman out of prison.
Now there was a Hunter down there a Hot Springs and she would always go to where this Hunter worked and he was related to her now.